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Mahatma To Unfold His Plans To-Day LEADERS' CONFERENCE AT SEVAGRAM Congress Cabinet Calls For Fresh Elections

(FROM 'A. P.' AND 'U. P.')

WARDHAGUNJ, July 6.

MAULANA AZAD, Pandit Nehru and other members of the Congress Working Committee went to Sevagram after a brief sitting of the Committee to-day and had talks with Mahatma Gandhi on the political situation.

It is understood that Mahatma Gandhi will address the Committee to-morrow and acquaint the members of his suggestions for the future conduct of the Congress.

At to-day's meeting the Committee passed resolution resolving that the general election of delegates to the Congress, which had been postponed for two years, be held this year by October 31, 1942.

The resolution says: "For that purpose the last date of enrolment is 31st. As soon as the delegates election is completed delegates should meet in order to elect the A.I.C.C. members from the Provinces. Resolved also that the Provincial Congress Committees do take the necessary steps to arrange the new elections of subordinate Congress Committees on the basis of the new register. The time-table for the elections will be issued by the General Secretary of the Congress."

The deliberations of the Committee lasted two and a half hours. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, it is understood, reviewed the general situation since they met last.

The following members and invitees attended to-day's meeting: Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Babu Rajendra Prasad, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. Profulla Ghose, Dr. Pattabhi Sastri, Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Mr. J. Kripalani, Mr. Jayramdas Daulatram and Acharya Narendra Deo.

Prospects Of Plenary Session

Explaining the Committee's resolution regarding the election of delegates, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad said:

"Ever since my release from jail I have been considering the question of normal working of the Congress constitution. The Bardoli, Wardha and Allahabad meetings were devoted to more urgent and important issues with the result that this matter is hanging fire. To-day the Working Committee unanimously decided that the Congress machinery should work in a normal manner and hence the decision."

It does not necessarily mean that there would be a Congress session, but if the situation so warrants, we might call a session which was not held since Ramgarh."

Maulana Azad said that he had received Mr. Bhulabhai Desai's letter of resignation from the Congress Working Committee only to-day. "The letter," says the Congress President, "mentions that his state of health does not permit him to continue as a member."

Regarding the representations for disciplinary action against Mr. Rajagopalachari and Mr. Sambamurthy, Maulana Azad said the matter rested with the Provincial Congress Committees.

The "United Press" learns that the Working Committee is also considering the question of disciplinary action against the Communist members of the Congress who are openly following a policy contrary to the Congress decision.

Jawahar-Villiers Talks

WARDHAGUNJ, July 6. Sir Edward Villiers, lately a Calcutta businessman and now connected with the British Ministry of Information, had prolonged talks with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru yesterday. These



THE GENERALISSIMO: Chiang Kai-shek who led China's heroic resistance to Japanese aggression alone for five years, enters to-day the sixth year of war with powerful allies in Britain and America.

China's Peace Aims Defined

CHUNGKING, July 6.

When China emerges triumphant she aims to regain not only her territory lost following the Mukden incident, but also the status "prior to the Sino-Japanese war of 1894," said Doctor Sun-Fo, President of the Legislative Board, here to-day.

The complete disarmament of Japan will also be demanded.—Reuter.

MOUNT ETNA IN ERUPTION

BERLIN, July 6.

Mount Etna has been in eruption for thirty-six hours, says a Rome dispatch. Lava and ashes reached Catania on the eastern side. Violent at the start, the eruption is now dying down.—Reuter.

related to the present political situation in the country, war, Cripps' failure and the Congress stand.—United Press.

Mrs. Kamaladevi In City

Mrs. Kamaladevi, President, elect of the All-India Women's Conference, arrived in Bombay on Monday afternoon from Wardha. During a week's stay at Sevagram she had prolonged talks with Mahatma Gandhi. According to her programme she is expected to stay in the city for a few days. Her present visit is understood to be in connection with the work of the All-India Women's Conference.

REVIEW THE TREATIES THIS IS NO HOUR FOR COURTESIES: PRINCES WORRIED OVER SOVEREIGNTY OF STATES

From A Special Representative

It is understood that the reactions of the Indian States to the drafting Committee's report, covering a wide field but considered to be of a preliminary nature, which was referred to in yesterday's "Chronicle" were varied.

The recommendations made by the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes are likely to be taken into consideration and the comments made on behalf of the various States, scrutinised by the Study Circle and the Committee of Ministers in September.

DEMAND FOR SOVEREIGNTY OF STATES

The important item in the report is, however, considered to be regarding "Treaties and Engagements" subsisting at the present moment should be once reviewed and replaced by new ones by which all checks and restrictions on the sovereignty of the States should be removed. The States should then be immediately organised into one union and made aware capable of helping the war and protecting themselves. This revision should not, it is suggested, await the future constitution of India. If and when the Dominion of India is constituted this definite entity of the Union of Indian States having treaty relations with the Government of Britain should be in a position to deal with the Dominion of India on the basis of equality. There should be a specific provision for the effective protection of such rights, privileges and dignities as may be desired to be protected. In this connection, it was further explained on behalf of a certain State that "in view of the undertaking of His Majesty's Government forthwith the constitution framed by the Constitution-making body, there will not be any scope for any independent negotiation for the purpose of incorporating any specific terms and conditions relating to the Indian States. The Indian States should, therefore, look to the constitution-making body itself for securing this object. Although in His Majesty's Government's Draft declaration no specific mention is made of the protection of the rights and privileges of Indian States, it seems that the contemplated revision of the Treaty arrangements of every Indian State, whether or not it elects to adhere to the constitution, is expected to be given an opportunity for the incorporation of provisions regarding the protection of its essential rights and privileges."

It was stated in the Report that it could not have been the intention of His Majesty's Government to disregard the Crown's treaty obligations to the States or to effect any alteration or revision of the Treaties without the consent of the States concerned. It is understood that His Highness the Chancellor has already addressed the Crown Department for a clarification of the position. He may also personally pursue the matter with the authorities concerned.

RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF RULERS

A comment made is that no legal protection can be expected to be given by the Federal Court to the Indian States in such matters unless the rights etc., that are sought to be protected are specifically enumerated in a constitutional document. An attempt should therefore, be made, it is suggested to draw up an exhaustive list of such rights and privileges and dignities as the States desire to be protected and can be protected consistently with Dominion autonomy of India. Incidentally, it is suggested that rights and privileges and dignities will have to be classified. The Government of India Act, 1935, speaks of the "rights of Indian States" and the "rights and dignities" of the rulers. The distinction will have to be kept in view while drawing up any list of such rights, privileges and dignities, because the procedure for safeguarding them may not be uniform in all cases.

It was also pointed out that "no revision of Treaties properly so-called, can take place without the consent of both the parties thereto. But in the case of unilateral documents, such as 'sanads', revision of their terms would not depend upon the consent of the State concerned. The suggestion that some of the provisions of the Treaties being of a restrictive character should be revised, the matter has to be studied with reference to specific treaties involved and the relevance of the removal of any restrictions thereof may be examined with reference to future constitutional proposals."

Still another comment made with regard to the revised or supplemental Treaty, envisaged in the report, should, at least so far as provisions common to the

the "Indian States will be perfectly within their rights to insist that every State shall have the right to have its own form of Government without any outside interference. British Indian leaders while not questioning the soundness of the principle, will insist upon certain minimum guarantees being given as regards the internal constitution of the Indian States generally, as a condition of their joining the Union of India."

A further suggestion was: "It may be considered whether the safeguard proposed will cover the case in which a Ruler and his people desire that their State should not be grouped with other States in respect of any particular branch of administration." It was also suggested that it should be absolutely clear that "residual jurisdiction" is vested in the Ruler.

RED ARMY'S NEW WEAPON

STOCKHOLM, July 6.

The Red Army is using a new trench mortar, which hurls a small shell developing terrific heat after it explodes according to the *Hel-sinki correspondent of the Swedish Aftonbladet*.

These mortars are being used on the Murmansk front where Russian artillery batteries have been very intensive. About a thousand shells were fired during one night.—Reuter.

States are concerned, be identically worded. In the case of certain States, the revision of the original treaties or other engagements, in disregard of the Royal Proclamations according to which old engagements ought to have been respected and treated as inviolate and inalienable. All such encroachments on the internal autonomy of these States should be removed, before these States were to join any Indian Union.

NO INTERFERENCE

It was also commented on the political section of the report that



GERMAN OFFENSIVE IN FULL SWING

Two-Prong Drive Towards The Caucasus

LONDON, July 6.

"Annalist" writes: "On the Russian front the German offensive is now in full swing. The dependence of the Russian High Command on the Moscow-Voronezh-Rostov Railway for communication between the northern and southern defence system is obvious."

There is no certainty that the Germans have, as they claim, reached the Don. Even so, far north the Don stands for a serious obstacle and Voronezh with the railway lies to the east of the River.

Possession of the Don would mean not only this vital railway would be lost to the Russians, but also a direct menace to their armies to the south-west between Rostov and Moscow.

It must be seen as part of a double move on the Caucasus, the other part of which will be launched from the Crimea probably mainly by air with the object of taking Simferopol in the rear and forcing him to retire towards the Volga.—Reuter.

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American Submarines Strike Back

ALLIED BOMBERS LASH LAE AND SALAMUA BASES

SYDNEY, June 6.

Reports have reached here to-day of the mass American Independence Day raids by Allied aircraft of Japanese bases in the South-west Pacific.

For 48 hours Allied bombers lashed the Japanese at Lae and Salamua in New Guinea. Buildings, runways and fuel dumps were devastated, despite vile weather.

United States submarines torpedeed on July 4 four Japanese destroyers off the Aleutian islands.

Two were sunk and the third burned fiercely at Kiska, while the fourth destroyer was located and sunk at Agattu, according to a Washington message.

THE SUBMARINE ACTION

WASHINGTON, July 6.

The Navy Department's "communiqué" announcing that American submarines' actions against Japanese destroyers in the Aleutians reads:

"NORTH PACIFIC AREA:—On July 4 United States submarines torpedeed four Japanese destroyers in the Aleutian Islands. Three of these destroyers were attacked at Kiska."

Two were sunk. The third, when last seen, was burning fiercely. The fourth destroyer was torpedeed and sunk at Agattu where enemy transports with about 700 men were located on July 2 and attacked by army bombers."

The "communiqué" is based on reports received at 16.30 G.M.T. on Monday.

Kiska and Agattu are islands at the westernmost tip of the Aleutian chain which were recently occupied by the Japanese"—Reuter.

Late News

EX-NAZI FUEHRER OF AMERICAN BUND BAILED OUT

NEW YORK, July 6. Germhardt Kunze, described as the former Fuehrer of the German American Bund, who was brought in from Mexico was held in \$60,000 dollars bail on a Federal charge of violating the Selective Service Act.

JAP FORCES DRIVEN BACK

CHUNGKING:—Japanese forces, which were thrusting south in the Kiangsi Province (eastern China) have been driven back by a Chinese counter-attack to-night, a Chinese War Communique reports.

BANK CASHIER ARRESTED

MUZAFFARPUR, July 6. Chitranjib Das, cashier and bills clerk of Muzaffarpur branch of Calcutta Commercial Bank Limited, has been arrested by the Muzaffarpur police under Sec. 408 Indian Penal Code for alleged criminal breach of trust in respect of bank money amounting to Rs. 27,599-2-0 out of which the accused repaid Rs. 3,276 only. The accused has been remanded to jail custody.

BERLIN ADMISSION

STOCKHOLM, July 6. German military circles have admitted today according to Swedish correspondents in Berlin that "The Germans have still not succeeded in breaking British resistance at El Alamein, where fighting continues with undiminished fury. The British are offering determined resistance."—Reuter.

CHINESE RECAPTURE IHWANG

BOMBAY, July 6. A field despatch reaching Chungking states that last Thursday Chinese forces recaptured IHWANG, 120 and twenty kilometres south-east of Nanchang in Eastern Kiangsi after defeating the Japanese in the suburbs of the city.—A. P.

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Allies Retain Initiative In Battle For Egypt

Continuous Fighting South Of El-Alamein: Naval Planes Attack Axis Shipping

CAIRO, July 6.

Yesterday was a day of continuous fighting the Allied forces retaining the initiative. Fighting is taking place in the same area south of El-Alamein, where a strong point was taken.

Last night Tobruk was again raided, while naval aircraft attacked shipping at Mersa Matruh.

DAY LONG FIGHT

The Middle East joint war communiqué says: "Battle in the El Alamein area continued yesterday. Our land and air forces were attacking the enemy throughout the day. In one sector our troops in a night attack drove the enemy from a strong point, inflicting heavy casualties. Our casualties were slight."

SIX AXIS PLANES SHOT DOWN

Medium bombers of the R. A. F. and South-African air forces attacked enemy concentrations in the battle area. Our fighters shot down three "Junkers 88s" two "Messerschmitts 110s" one "Messerschmitt 109" and damaged many others. Fighter-bombers carried out effective attacks on landing grounds in the El-Daba area, where at least fourteen enemy aircraft were damaged on the ground. Six of our aircraft failed to return.

NEW ZEALANDERS GO AT THEM

A New Zealand battle group caught an Italian Pavia division completely by surprise in a new bayonet charge on Saturday night. The Italians were panick-stricken and suffered a great number of casualties. The Italians had replaced the German infantry of the Ninetieth Light Armoured Division after the earlier bayonet charge by New Zealanders on Wednesday.

TIDE TURNING?

ALEXANDRIA, July 6. British naval and R.A.F. planes destroyed hundreds of the 3,500 vehicles, including Bowers containing petrol for Rommel's Panzers at the encampment, parked in the sausage shaped area south of El Alamein.

The naval planes dropped flares and bombs. Then a large formation of heavy bombers roared in showering bombs. They set many vehicles alight and blasted many others. Naval pilots also dropped flares at El Daba during the past three nights to guide heavy bombers. Big explosions and fires were caused. One explosion was visible 70 miles away.

RAID ALARM IN HAIFA

JERUSALEM, July 6. Haifa had a short air alarm on Sunday morning. The defences went into action but there was no incident.—Reuter.

U.S. TROOPS IN EGYPT?

WASHINGTON, July 6. The rumours which had been circulating in Washington and other world capitals that American troops are in the Middle East particularly in Egypt are not confirmed in Washington. Military officials in Washington refuse to comment on these rumours.—Reuter.

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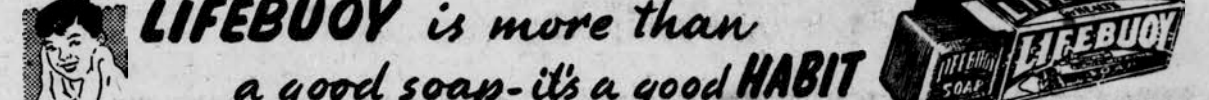
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REJECTED BY FRIENDS

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru is known to be among the best friends of Britain. His services at the various Round Table Conferences have been gratefully recognised by many British politicians. When a year ago he found the gulf between India and Britain widening dangerously he rallied all those elements in the country which were not non-co-operating with Government and they all formulated some reasonable proposals which were acceptable to a fairly large section of the country. But, as Sir Tej Bahadur says, Sir Stafford Cripps came and "bungled and bungled hopelessly," unable to satisfy a single important party. And now comes the expansion scheme which "does not really betoken any change in the political and constitutional character of the (Viceregal) Council." Sir Tej Bahadur refuses to regard the Council as "anything in the neighbourhood of a National Government." He admits that some of the new Councilors are able and good men but rightly points out that "it is not able and good men that matter, it is the powers which they enjoy and the freedom which they enjoy from the paralysing control and influence of the India office which alone can change the situation in India." Finally, he warns Britain to realise "betimes that 'if trust begets trust, distrust also begets distrust.' Britain may do worse than heed a friend's warning."

Liberals' Warning

Similar views have been expressed by the Council of the Liberal Federation. It "protests against the unsatisfactory character of the steps taken to expand the Executive Council and repeats its view that the Council should consist entirely of non-official Indians drawn from the public life of India and that it should, by convention, function as a Cabinet, and the Viceroy should ordinarily accept its decisions. It also warns Government that "unless the present psychological conditions are

radically modified by the establishment of a National Government in India there is no prospect of India putting forth her maximum efforts for the prosecution of the war." The Liberals may be few in number but it should be remembered that reforms rejected by them are not likely to be acceptable to any other organised political party in the country. Indeed, it is now clear as daylight that the new expansion scheme, far from satisfying any responsible body, is being regarded as a token of Britain's deliberate flouting of India's political demands and as a spurious reform, which is often the enemy of a real one.

Renew Negotiations

The question arises: What is to be done next? Sir Tej Bahadur rightly suggests that Mr. Amery must go. But as Mr. Amery does not choose to go, the real question is how to make him go. We agree with the Liberals that any civil disobedience campaign by the Congress at the present moment "will be prejudicial to the best interests of the country in respect of defence." What then is the alternative? We can think of nothing more feasible for the time being than the renewal of negotiations at the very point they broke down during the Cripps Mission. Nothing is lost thereby and the prospect of at least a temporary wartime settlement is not negligible. If Britain cares to ensure full support from the people of India, the Liberal Federation, in common with many other bodies in India and Britain, urges the Government of India to take the initiative in the matter and it hopes that "the major political parties will take a more accommodating view of their mutual relations." We have reason to believe that if Britain agrees to transfer real power there will be no insurmountable difficulty regarding the relations between the Congress and the Government. But if Britain is not prepared to part with power neither Congress nor the League will agree to any settlement.

The Russian Front

While the situation in Egypt remains serious, the northern claw of the German pincers on the Caucasus and the Middle East has become almost as dangerously active. The offensives in the Kharkov and Kursk appear to have succeeded in driving a big wedge into the Russian line. Indeed, the Germans claim to have broken through to the Don on a wide front and to have reached Voronezh, the vital centre on the Moscow-Rostov line. Too much reliance cannot be placed on German claims. But it is quite likely that they indicate an imminent possibility. The situation, therefore, is undeniably serious. For if the Germans succeed they may cut Marshal Timoshenko's armies and the Caucasus from northern Russia and they will also encircle the

forces comprising Timoshenko's right wing. But, it is to put it no higher, too early to lose hope yet. As the London "Times" very correctly points out, an "encircled" Russian army has always proved to be far different from a doomed army. A break through in Russia is not the same thing as a break through at Sedan. Far from it. What is more, we cannot believe that Marshal Timoshenko in the south and General Zhukov in the north are not prepared for the eventuality that is facing them. The battle is not over by any means yet. Further, even in case the Germans succeed Russian resistance will go on. And it can go on even more effectively than hitherto to if the British and the Americans do start in western Europe something more substantial than a four-figure bombing raid once in thirty days.

Princes' "Stan"?

We published yesterday a summary of the comments understood to have been made by several members of the Princes' Chamber on the position of the Princes in the future constitution. The comments were obviously in connection with the Cripps proposals and, therefore, need not be considered in detail as these proposals have been withdrawn. But the Princes' views are of interest as revealing the mind of an important element in the Indian people on the latest phase of the constitutional problem. Their dominating thought is, perhaps, expressed in the following words: "If a powerful single Union of British India and States is established, protective power of the Crown may become ineffective for the protection of non-adhering States, and there may be difficulties in securing effective protection of the privileges of adhering States." Since both adherence and non-adherence to a single Union are risky steps—of course, from the standpoint of their vested interests—the Princes

contemplate a separate independent Union for themselves. They say: "The Indian States have set up an unbreakable record of loyalty and if British India deserves and is to be given independence there is no reason why Princes should not ask for the same to be given to them earlier than British India. Speedy steps should be taken for the formation of a Union of the Indian States bent upon providing adequate armed forces to deal with any situation of internal trouble or external attack." The words "earlier than British India" should be particularly noted as they suggest that the Princes will oppose the independence of British India till they have themselves formed their own Union with "adequate armed forces" to deal with any situation of internal trouble or external attack." Here is a demand for a new "Stan" of which we may hear more in the near future. The States people will, of course, have their say and should have it soon.

Frankly Speaking

Pacific Situation

The Japanese in New Guinea have had another spasmodic fit. The other day they attempted, after a long interval, a few more air raids on Port Moresby. They did little damage and we have no doubt that the Japanese will not be able to keep it for long. The Japanese are simply unable to take any offensive action in South-West Pacific any more. In fact, they are now forced to an unenviable defensive position and the new raids on Port Moresby are no more important than the expression of chagrin and exasperation at, for instance, General MacArthur's commando raid on Salamaua. The situation in the Pacific has definitely turned in favour of the Allies except perhaps in the Aleutian Islands, where, too, American operations are bound to prove decisively successful in due course of time.

Japan's Plans

The Kwangsi General, Li Chung-yen, is right in believing that the Japanese will not open a new front and attack Siberia. They are only too willing to wound the Russians but are quite naturally afraid to strike. Their military commitments have grown so widespread that they cannot afford to add any more to them especially when they entertain a wholesome fear that the new enemy will start trading blow for blow from the beginning. They could strike at Siberia only if their German Allies decisively cripple the Russians in Europe; and that is a big "if". But we do not think General Li is right in anticipating any offensive action by Japan against Australia. The Coral Sea and Midway disasters have robbed the Japanese of that striking power which is the basic condition of a sea-borne invasion. Meanwhile Australia's land, sea and air, have been rapidly strengthened. That is not all. To-day it is not Japan that threatens Australia, but MacArthur and Nimitz of the United States Navy who threaten her advance bases. Unless some utterly unforeseen and incredible disaster occurs to the general position of the United Nations, Japan will not strike at Australia or Siberia. But this very inability will force her to concentrate still more on China. This is the real Japanese danger at the present time.

Woman Vice-Chancellor

Mrs. Shardaaben Mehta, the pioneer educationist and well-known social worker, was unanimously elected Vice-Chancellor of the S.P.T. Women's University at the meeting of the Senate on Saturday. By conferring this honour on Mrs. Shardaaben Mehta the University has duly recognised her long and indefatigable work in the cause of women's education and uplift. Since 1916 she has been helping Dr. Karve in the shaping of his ideal of a system of women's education suited to the Indian conditions in India. It was she who founded the Mahila Vidyalaya in Ahmedabad. In Baroda she took the lead in opening the Baroda Girls' High School, affiliated to the Women's University. The Baroda Women's College and a sister institution in Ahmedabad were also largely the result of Shardaaben's untiring efforts. And finally, it was Mrs. Shardaaben Mehta who persuaded the Senate of the Women's University to shift its headquarters to Bombay from Poona as more befitting an institution which regarded itself as an all-India one.

More War Measures

A new rule has been introduced under the Defence of India Act providing the necessary powers, to enable a licensing system to be introduced in any area in which this is found to be necessary. An assurance has been given that every effort will be made to ensure that persons of status, religion, or caste, other than those of the occupier of a house, are not billeted on the latter without his or her consent. It is also reported that every person holding a motor driving licence has been served with an order to hold himself in readiness to serve as a driver of the military or civil authorities. War measures like these are necessary in grave emergencies. But like many others they are likely to be misused, particularly in a country where Government are not responsible to the people. Pandit Jawaharlal recalls how cars and their drivers were commandeered in Rangoon and elsewhere, for what purposes these cars were used and how "even in this racial discrimination was rampant and a selfishness on the part of those in authority which astounds one." Serious troubles may arise if war measures like these are enforced without the greatest regard for the interests of the public.

Petrol Scarcity In Ahmedabad

THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE has issued an order under the Defence of India Rules closing all except five petrol pumps in the city and two in the district. The Ahmedabad Municipality is, however, permitted to store petrol at its pump at the Municipal workshop for its own private consumption only.—A. P.

FINAL DEFEAT OF JAPAN NEAR

CHINA ENTERS SIXTH YEAR OF WAR: GENERALISSIMO'S MESSAGE TO NATION

CHUNGKING, July 6.

China will shoulder the responsibility of the main battle on the Eastern Continent, stated Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek to the nation on the eve of the beginning of the sixth year of the Sino-Japanese War.

"We may face worse reverses during the next few months," he continued, "but these shall be short and the final collapse of our enemies is near. Let none think that the United Nations are without strategy. China will bear the burden of the main battle on the Eastern Continent and, like the United States, will continue to crush Japan, while Britain and the United States will be responsible for the war in other theatres."

We are most grateful for the sympathy and assistance of the Allies, but the Chinese must help themselves and be worthy of their gallant Allies."

CHURCHILL GREET'S CHINA

BOMBAY:—On the fifth anniversary of China's war of resistance against Japan, messages from leaders and leading citizens of the United Nations are continuing to reach Chungking.

Mr. Winston Churchill has sent a special message to the Chinese people through the Central News Agency on the fifth anniversary of China's heroic resistance against aggression.

It reads: "Five years ago, today, Japan launched her treacherous attack on your country. For five years you have, in spite of suffering and disappointment, maintained the united front against aggression. The world has watched with admiration the mighty efforts made by China not only on the fields of battle but also in the sphere of reconstruction. Both China and the United States are well known, what it is to stand alone against the aggressors."

To-day we are fighting side by side against our common enemy and with us today we have the tremendous resources of the United States. Each of us has his part to play. War in Europe and in the Middle East is as much a part of the defence of China as it is a part of the defence of Britain. We are determined to extend to the Chinese people every material and spiritual help in our power. Of our ultimate victory we are sure. When it is won, the present association which has laid the foundations of lasting friendship based on mutual confidence and respect will secure peace and justice to all peoples of the world.—A. P.

Australia Greet's China

CANBERRA: The Prime Minister, Mr. Curtin, paid the following tribute to China's five-year struggle against Japan: "The ceaseless and heroic resistance of the Chinese people to the Japanese has been a source of inspiration and courage to all peoples of the world. The Chinese are still fighting. China's resistance will stiffen our determination to make even higher sacrifices to obtain an early achievement of our war aim, which depends upon the united efforts of all our Allies and upon a proper distribution of the natural resources and war production of all countries."

"We Are Resolute" CALCUTTA: Dr. C. J. Rao, Consul-General for China, in an interview on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of "China's war of resistance against aggression," said: "We are resolute, on July 7, to redouble our efforts to obtain an early achievement of our war aim, which depends upon the united efforts of all our Allies and upon a proper distribution of the natural resources and war production of all countries."

Sir R. N. Reid, China Relations Officer, Government of India, in a message to the Consul-General for China on the occasion, says: "We can look forward to the time," Sir Robert adds, "When we shall begin together to roll back the invaders, when the full flow of supplies from China will be renewed and when we shall first attack and then pursue a beaten foe back to his own territory."

Greetings To Indian Leaders

NEW DELHI:—The following telegram had been received from the Rev. Abbot Tai-Hsu, Chairman, Chinese Buddhist Society, Chungking:—

Messrs. Gandhi, Nehru, Jinnah, Azad and leaders of the Hindu Mahasabha, the Sikhs and the Muslim League: "I take this opportunity on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of our war of resistance to convey to you all my sincere respects to you. China, with her aim of fighting for her freedom and independence and for international righteousness and justice, is convinced of her ultimate victory and is making full efforts in co-operation with her Allies, to win the war."

Give Us 10 Per Cent Of Arms
"In our readiness to fight for the common cause, upwards of

1,00,000 troops were despatched this year to fight shoulder to shoulder with our hard pressed Allies in Burma," observed Mr. Shen En-Mua, Chinese Commissioner in India, in a broadcast to-night on the fifth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war.

Recently, to effect our complete isolation, the hinterland of Chekiang and Kiangsi has been engaged the attention of the enemy, here, as elsewhere, our troops are on the alert, intrepid, gallant and self-confident. These brave sons of China have been tried and found not wanting. They require adequate and effective equipment to turn the tide and to drive to the sea those beastly invaders who have been infesting our soil these five years.

WHAT CHINA NEEDS
If war in China is as much a part of the defence of Europe and the Middle East as it is a part of the defence of China, and if China, in view of her geographical proximity, affords a ready basis for effective counter-offensive against that insular aggressor before he has the time and resources to create further mischief in the Far East, now is the time to equip those brave soldiers of ours adequately and effectively to enable them to play a part that is definitely theirs in this global war.

Give the Chinese soldiers ten per cent of the total war production of the U. S. and they will acquire themselves with hundred per cent efficiency, so said the Generalissimo in a recent statement and I trust the world will agree that this Generalissimo has not over-rated his troops.

LARGEST WHEAT CROPS IN U.S. AND CANADA

EDINBURGH, July 6.
The news that there were in prospect in the United States and Canada the largest wheat crops ever produced was given by Mr. Loyd V. Steere, Agricultural Attaché to the American Embassy in London. Mr. Steere described the setting up of the International Wheat Commission as the greatest step ever taken in international agricultural co-operation.—Reuter.

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Soviet Withdrawal On Kursk Front

Nazi Offensive In Full Swing: Non-Stop Bloody Battles

LONDON, July 6.
There is no confirmation in London, it was stated authoritatively, of the German claim to have reached the River Don.

There is little doubt that the offensive drive from Kursk towards Voronezh is the most important of the German attacks and the one with the most weight behind it, it was added.

TERRIFIC PRESSURE

The situation remains difficult and complicated along the 160 mile front from Kursk to Kupiansk, where the German pressure has continued in the last 24 hours. The German attacks were especially forceful on the Belgorod front, where one arm of the two-prong Nazi drive is trying to thrust north-east in order to link up with the other arm at Kursk.

The Germans at the cost of enormous losses succeeded in driving a wedge in the positions held by one Russian unit. The Russian troops and tanks counter-attacked in the Belgorod area. The Nazis were beaten back, leaving several hundred dead on the battle field, while six German tanks were destroyed.

Fighting has also continued without respite on the Kursk front, where the Russian withdrawal was announced earlier. How far the Red Army has retired on this vital front, which protects the all important rail junction of Voronezh, midway on the main Moscow-Rostov railroad, was not indicated.

Three times since the beginning of July Russian war correspondents have reported German advances achieved by force of superior numbers on several sectors of the Kursk front.

Bloody Battles
Marshal Timoshenko is still resisting Von Bock's three drives on the 100-mile front between Kursk and Kharkov, according to today's Soviet 'communique'.

Bloody battles are being fought out near Kursk, where the German wedge attack on a winding river is being held by Soviet tankmen. Fighting continues around Belgorod and Volchansk. The Germans are suffering 'enormous losses' said a 'communique' supplement.

Fighting has flared up again

Desmond Young Missing

Ex-Press Adviser Of Govt. Of India Who Went As Observer To Mideast

NEW DELHI, July 6.
Many in India will have learnt with regret from to-day's casualty list that Lieut-Col. Desmond Young, M. C., Indian Army, Public Relations Liaison Officer in the Middle East, is reported missing since June 5, during an action by an Indian division at El-Adem in Cyrenaica.

It is still hoped that he may be alive and a prisoner of war. If so, this is the second occasion in the present war in which C. I. Desmond Young has been in the hands of the enemy. Captured by the Vichy French during the war in Syria, he managed to evade the order for British prisoner officers to proceed to France and was still in Damascus when the city was re-taken.

Desmond Young is the son of the late Sir Francis Young, a well-known salvage expert to the Admiralty during the last war. Educated at Oxford, he fought with the 60th Rifles in the Great War, won the M. C., and for a time commanded his battalion.

IN JOURNALISM
Going to South Africa, Desmond Young did journalistic work for some years and was on the staff of the "Cape Argus" and "Cape Times" and Editor of the "Natal Witness."

Then to India where he edited the "Pioneer" and was a member of the U. P. Assembly. Early in 1940 he was appointed Chief Press Adviser to the Government of India.

LATE CAPT FOWLER

The death of Group Captain I. G. V. Fowler, reported last week, is a severe blow to the Indian observer corps, writes a fellow officer of the late group captain.

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Grain Shops

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"
Sir,—The Government of Bombay are to be congratulated on their prompt step in opening grain shops in the city to check profiteering. During the last War some persons connected with associations working in the interest of poorer classes were permitted to open cheap grain shops; but this time the Government have gone a step further in opening these shops themselves and the rush at the public. I have only to point out that these shops are closed for some days for want of stock and cause a great inconvenience to people which can be removed if they shops are provided regularly with sufficient stock. I am also of opinion that this measure by itself is not sufficient to deter unscrupulous profiteers from pursuing their course and severe punitive measures are necessary to bring them to a proper frame of mind. I am told some wholesale dealers with hold stock and, in some cases, refuse to sell the goods to retail shopkeepers unless they pay the amount of premium, over and above the scheduled rates for which no receipt is passed and naturally these retail shopkeepers are obliged to sell at higher rates. So the evil is required to be stopped at its very root.

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FRENZIED NAZI PRESSURE

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WITHOUT COMMENT

Sir Evelyn Wrench has undertaken, at the request of the Government of India, goodwork to guide and assist Americans to see Indian life and Indian administration in its various phases. As his own experience of India is fresh, he will be able to give what assistance Americans need in understanding this country.—Anglo-Indian despatch from Delhi.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru instructs in his statement that Lord Lillithgow is Mr. Amery's agent. Quite right. But what's the difference?

Dr. Sapru also insists that the new expansion of the Viceroy's Executive does not betoken any change in the political and constitutional character of the Council. This is hardly a fair acknowledgement of the political and, yes, 'constitutional' character of the honours.

According to Mr. G. I. Pakistan has not been clearly defined by its proponent and nobody knows what it exactly contains. This last one is easy to answer: exactly whatever and as much as is at all possible.

India Provides Own Carriage
Anglo-Indian Carriage. They don't seem to carry her anywhere, though.

For five years, says Mr. Churchill in a message to China, "the world has watched with admiration the mighty efforts made by China." Shades of the appeasement-cum-realism regime!

A Chinese General offers the opinion that the Japanese will strike at Australia? He had better be careful lest Mr. Curtin use his authority to demand the diversion of even the little that the United Nations contemplate sending in due course, i.e., in about a year's time—to the relief of his unfortunate country.

In a message of appreciation to the Middle East, Mr. Churchill says: "We are sure you will be to our glorious army, the friend that endureth to the end." Hullo! Was there any doubt about it?

Rumours of the presence of American troops in the Middle East "are not confirmed in Washington," says Reuter. Which means that they are denied.

But why has London reported and confirmed the presence of Lord Halifax in London "for consultation?"

4,000 Maunds of Hoarded Wheat Seized.
Headline. Restrain your excitement please. It was in Arrah, Bihar.

Lovesick Sultors: "How can I prove that you are not just a beautiful doll?" She: "Squeeze me and see if I cry 'Mama'!"

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BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Active General Buying

The local market was fairly firm today with active general buying. The market has wonderfully recovered from the drastic decline followed by unfavourable news during the last week. Moreover now we are in the new month, there was some speculative support. The main consideration behind the present improvement is that unfavourable war news from Africa or Russia can not have any adverse effect on our industrial outlook. Investors who have idle money awaiting employment are taking advantage of all declines to make purchases. The recovery is more astonishing than the decline and indicates incalculable of the market and we believe until we find any sound reason which can mar our industrial position the market will assume hardening tendency. This does not mean that prices will be pushed up to new high levels as operators cannot be reckless and there will be occasions for temporary setbacks under liquidation from time to time.

Tata Steel Def. shares opened at Rs. 145 and advanced to Rs. 149 and closed at Rs. 149. Tata shares opened at Rs. 295 and improved to Rs. 298. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 142 and hardened to Rs. 145.

TEXTILE MILLS.
Apollo 48; Ahmedabad Advance 347.5; Century 452; Colaba Land 179; E. D. Unit 215; Finlay 226; Gokak 260; Indian Bleaching 179; Ind. Ma. 342; K. Ma. 173.5; New Great 265; Phoenix 263.5; Podar 205; Saxon Silk 228; Sholapur 245; Simcox 266; Swadhai 267; Swa. 256; Tata Mill 324; Vishva 122.5; New City 260.

ELECTRICS.
Andhra Valley 169.5; Ahmedabad Electric 177.5; Ajmer Electric 131.1; Bombay S. S. (old 115.12); Bombay T. T. 133; Karachi Electric 377.5; Poma Electric 225; Surat Electric 193.12; Indian Iron 264.5; Tata Power 145.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Asso. Cement 129; Belapur Sugar 227.5; Bombay Burma 220; Bombay Burma 227.5; Tata Steel Def. 149; Shrivajpur 37; Prem Construction 122; Br. B. Petrol 15.5; Ind. Radio Def. 108; Ind. Radio 154.4; Sciencia Steam 25.5; Tata Chemical 16.4; Tata Oil 68.8; Western India Match 217.5; Burma Corporation 135; Indian Iron 264.5; Indian Copper 115; Steel Corp. Bengal 16.15.

BANKS.
Baroda 115; Central 46; Imperial F.P. 163.24; Imperial P. 370.4; India 138.8; Reserve 103.4; Union 103.4.

RAILWAYS.
Ahmedabad Prant 466; Central Prov. 112; Gujarat 110; Hoshiarpur Doab 97; Mandra Bhon 111; Sara Sirajunga 98.8; Sialkot Narawa 115.

INSURANCE.
Empire 700; Jupiter 15; New India 46.12; Oriental Life 46.12; Vulcan Insurance 50.

DEBENTURES.
4 per cent Andhra 192.14; 4 per cent Bom. Telephone 48.4; 4 per cent Tata Power 161.55; 104.14.

PREFERENCE.
5 per cent Ahm. Advance 125; 7 per cent Andhra 159; 7 per cent Bom. Tram 75; 5 per cent Bom. Steam 327.8; 5 per cent Central India 52.4; 5 per cent Tata Steel 1st 204.10; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Steel 2nd 131.12; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 151.4; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 152.4; 5 1/4 per cent P. Const. 1st 121; 5 1/4 per cent P. Const. 2nd 118.8; 5 per cent P. Const. 1st 121; 5 per cent T. Chem. 121.14.

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You are well off compared with some folk, if you are alive to the valuable pick-me-up powers of Phenics.

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INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

The market ruled with an improved sentiment today and prices showed an advance. Tata Deferreds opened higher at 1435 and after touching 1500 closed at 1460. Tata Ordinaries which opened at 287 went ahead to 301 but stood finally at 296. Bombay Dyeings advanced to 1275 and other textiles were also better. Indian Irons however were steady around 27.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, today:—
Tata Deferreds (1415), 1435, 1500, 1475, 1490, 1485, 1490.
Tata Ordinaries (285), 287, 301, 296, 298.
Tata Ordinary 285; Tata Deferred 1490;
Indian Iron 26.15; Steel Corp. of Bengal 16.15; Bombay Dyeing 1275; Central India 267.5; Century 452.8; Gokak 261.14; Kohinoor 432.2; Simcox 268; Andhra Valley 160; Tata Hydro 156.14; Tata Power 148.5; Associated Cement 159; Belapur 226.14.

MONEY MARKET

LONDON.—
Banks buying 90 Days St. 1/5 9/32 Two Months.
Banks buying 90 Days St. 1/5 5/16 Three Months.
Banks buying 90 Days St. 1/5 5/16 Four Months.

NEW YORK.—
Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks buying T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/5 1/32 D D 1/5 1/32
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 329 1/2

LONDON/MONTREAL.—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D 294 3/4
LONDON/BERNE.—
Banks selling T T Rs. 126 3/4 D D Rs. 126 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 123 1/2 D D Rs. 123 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 123 1/2 D D Rs. 123 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 128 D D Rs. 128

MEXICO/LONDON.—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04 D D Rs. 62.04
LIBON/LONDON.—
Banks selling T T Esc. 7.35 nom D D Esc. 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc. 7.55 D D Esc. 7.55

AUSTRALIA/LONDON.—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange—Steady.

NEW YORK SILVER.—
New York Silver 35 1/8
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/8 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money—Call and 1 month not quoting
2 to 5 months 1/4 per cent
5 to 11 months 1/2 per cent
Tone—Very easy.

GOVT. SECURITIES

2 3/4 per cent 1948-52 97 1/2
3 1/2 per cent G. P. Notes 92 1/2
1 per cent 1951-54 Loan 90 1/2
3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 90 1/2
4 per cent 1945-52 92 1/2
3 per cent 1946-50 Loan 107 1/4
4 per cent 1945-50 Loan 107 1/4
3 1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 102
4 1/2 per cent 1951-54 Loan 110
5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 108 1/4
4 per cent 1945-55 Loan 112
5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 112
4 per cent B. P. T. 1947 103 1/2
4 per cent M. Deb. 1957 106
5 per cent M. Deb. 1957 112
5 per cent M. Deb. 1954 123 1/8
5 per cent K. P. T. 1956 122 1/8
Tone—Firm.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Yarn No. 5 1/2s August 213; October 219
Yarn No. 10 1/2s August 253; October 254
Yarn No. 20 1/2s August 270; October 274
Yarn No. 40s August 445; October 450.

COTTON PARITY

Broach J/A below New York July 1.075
cent points at Exchange Rate 331.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Groundnuts August—
Opening 67 1/2
Highest 68 1/2
Lowest 66 1/2
Closing 67 1/2
Cottonseeds September—
Opening 31 1/2
Highest 32 1/2
Lowest 30 1/2
Closing 31 1/2
Castorseed September—
Opening 63 0
Highest 64 0
Lowest 62 0
Closing 63 0
Linsed September—
Opening 83 1/2
Highest 84 1/2
Lowest 82 1/2
Closing 83 1/2

COTTON ROOM RATES

Extra
Spt-fine Sup Fine FG Good
M G Bengal U.P. 187 184 181 178
M B Punjab 187 184 181 178
M G Rajputana 187 184 181 178
M G Oomra No. 3 204 201 198 195
M G C. P. No. 1 229 226 223 220
M G C. P. No. 2 214 211 208 205
M G Broad No. 3 228 225 222 219
M G Punj-Ameri 315 312 309 306
M G Rajal 412 409 406 403
M G Rajpalia 410 407 404 401
M G Navari 420 417 414 411

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bengal Old Ready 178/61
Berar 165/70 203/5
C. 1 178/80 224/26
C. P. 2 165/70 209/10
Khandesh 153/55
Mughal 150/55
Broach 150/55 221/28
Broach Low 150/55

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.
In full-pressed Bales. 4.742 This Year Last Year
Khandesh 80,293 80,293
Central India 30,065 144,468
Bairi and Nagar 33,444 121,009
Hyderabad/Gaonahi 15,989 45,571
Berar 178,011 371,990
Central Provinces 87,565 76,472
Total Oomras 448,257 862,855
N.W. Provinces 1,425 1,537
Rajputana 470 611
Punjab 101 414,834 543,097
Broach 319,611 297,478
Oomra & Bhawar 99 25,572 129,010
Western-Northern 112 27,701 97,228
Cocanada 31 239
Tinnevely & Cambodia 15,367 9,850
Arr. by road to 2nd July 42 92,500 326,133

APPEAL TO PUNJAB PREMIER TO LIFT BAN ON PRITHVI SINGH

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BOMBAY COTTON

On Saturday the New York cotton market was closed and today the Mahajan Association is closed. The local market was expected to open at Rs. 213 for Broach J/A delivery against last closing at Rs. 210.8 but the market opened firm at Rs. 214 and soon firmed to Rs. 217.8 under professional bidding up. At this level, there was some realising and prices eased off to Rs. 215.8. It is said that some professional operator was feeding the market. Until trading begins in new crop months, the market will be volatile. Later on there was utter absence of buying and under scattered selling prices declined to Rs. 212.8. The market closed at 4.30 p.m. as under:—
BROACH July August Rs. 212 8 0
OOMIA July 190 0 0
BENGAL July unquoted.

GOLD & SILVER

On Saturday London markets were closed. London spot gold was quoted at 4.8-8.8. Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/4 at New York. London spot silver good at 23 1/2 and New York silver was quoted at 35 1/2. Broach London Bombay silver good at 22 1/2 and silver party was at Rs. 62-10.3. The local market was quietly steady with restricted turnover. Quotations were as under:—
GOLD.—
Ready Rs. 62 4 0
Ashad 62 2 0
Sovereigns 39 3 0
SILVER.—
Ready 85 4 0
Ashad 84 4 0

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Gr. Nat August 5 8 0
Cast. seed September 5 0 0
Cott. seed September 5 0 0
Silver 1st Settlement 2 0 0
Gold 1st Settlement 2 0 0

BOMBAY METALS

Yellow Metal Sheets Rs. 118 0 0
Copper Sheets 153 0 0
Tone—Firm.

PEPPER AND GINGER

Pepper ready Rs. 162 0 0
Pepper Ashad 15 193 0 0
Ginger ready 97 0 0

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Copper sheets 1b 21 Rs. 162 2 1/2 155
42 149 49-56 147
Brass sheets Flag Brand 1b 20.21 Rs.
120/8 24 113/4 28 110 35 109 42 106 42-5 104/8
Spelter "P.H." Rs. 120 Rosta Rs. 115
Country make Rs. 84 Pigeon "B.M." Rs. 84
Tone—Firm.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Broach J/A highest 212 lowest 207 closing 210 1/2
Oomra July highest 189 1/2 lowest 187 closing 189 1/2
Bengal July highest 176 lowest 173 1/2 closing 176

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Monday.
Lieut.-General His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester arrived in Bombay this morning by a special train from Hyderabad. On alighting from the train at Victoria Terminus the Duke was greeted by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley. His Excellency presented leading officials and heads of the different branches of the armed forces in Bombay to the Duke who shook hands with them and then drove to Government House.

His Royal Highness's visits this morning were almost entirely confined to the Royal Indian Navy. At the Navy Office he was received by Commodore A. R. Ratnayake who accompanied him throughout his visits of inspection. The Duke inspected a parade of Royal Naval and Royal Indian Naval ranks in a drill shed. Among the R. N. personnel were some Somalis.

During the Duke's visit to the Dockyard he boarded the training ship "Dalhousie" and watched some of the 350 special service ratings undergoing training. His Royal Highness went round the ship, taking in every aspect of the life and training of Indian seamen. The Duke paid a surprise visit to a seep, delighting the ship's company who, stripped to the waist, had been hard at work making the ship ready for sea.

At the Signal School the Duke saw flag hoisting and at a marching manoeuvre on the parade ground and visited all the classes in which Indian and British seamen were receiving instruction.

Accompanied by His Excellency the Governor the Duke paid a visit to the Yacht Club after which he had lunch at the R. I. N. Officers' mess.

4,000 Maunds Of Hoarded Wheat Seized

ARRAH, July 5.
Four thousand maunds of hoarded wheat were recovered at Buxar and put on the market for public sale when the Price Control Officer on receipt of reports of shortage in foodstuffs raided a number of godowns.

A thousand maunds of rice have also been recovered and put on sale.

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Latest Commercial

COTTON

OCTOBER
Previous closing New York, July 5 19.40
Today's opening 19.34
Difference -06
Today's closing see 1100 Press

NEW YORK COTTON
Following are the New York opening ranges:—
October (19.38/39) 19.34/32
December (19.50/51) 19.45/44
January (19.58/57) 19.62/62

LONDON COMMODITIES
London, July 6.
Castor seeds Bombay July/August (£25 cwt.) 19.40
Linsed Calcutta July/August unquoted
Linsed India Flax July/August unquoted
Groundnuts Komandul July/August (East Coast India shipment not quoted) (East Coast India shipment) (£24 1/2 cwt.) quoted, £24 1/2 quoted

LONDON METALS
Electric Copper (£50) £62
Lead (£25) £22
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (31 sh.) 131 sh

EXCHANGE:
CROSS RATES
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
Previous closing 4.03 3/4
Today's opening 4.03 3/4
T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
Previous closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers
Today's opening 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers
Today's closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers

LONDON BULLION
LONDON GOLD
London Gold (£85.0) £84.8
Forward (63 1/2/24) 23 1/2/24

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India Must Be Free To Have Her Own Fiscal Policy

Lease-Lend Commitments Must Not Thwart Our Progress, Says G. L. Mehta

CALCUTTA, July 6. "It is essential for Indian public opinion to demand that India's right to devise and pursue a fiscal and tariff policy in consonance with her own peculiar requirements and suited to her particular stage of economic development should not be compromised by any commitments made regarding post-war international commerce by His Majesty's Government as 'quid pro quo' for Lease-Lend aid obtained by Britain."

Thus observed Mr. G. L. Mehta, President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, in a statement to the 'United Press.'

Mr. Mehta referred to the recent statement of President Roosevelt in his Fifth Lend-Lease Report to the Congress that "no financial reckoning will take place at the end of this war in return for Lend-Lease aid," and stated that this was a very significant declaration whose full implications should be studied by the authorities and the public in this country.

LEASE-LEND ARRANGEMENTS

"It has been frequently emphasised," he added, "by the American authorities that the operation of Lend-Lease is reciprocal and only three or four days ago, Mr. Harriman, Chief of the American Lease-Lend Arrangements by which goods sent and services rendered by Britain to the United States would become a large factor in future following the arrival of American forces in the British Isles. President Roosevelt himself has remarked in his fifth report that 'Lend-Lease was no longer one way and Lend-Lease Administrators in the United States have described how these arrangements are working 'in the reverse' wherein more and more supplies including food facilities are being furnished to American troops without payment."

NEBULOUS POSITION

"It is well-known that American troops are coming into India in increasing numbers so that the defence of India has been recognised as an integral part of the common defence of the United Nations. It is, therefore, essential for the Government in India to ascertain and determine carefully the reciprocal services and facilities given by India in the interests of common defence of the Allies, including the United States and the United Kingdom, on the Lend-Lease basis. Such reciprocal services and facilities should be fully taken into account and must be set-off in drawing up the final balance sheet of Lend-Lease aid. The whole question of mutual adjustment under Lend-Lease is nebulous and it is imperative therefore for the Government to clarify the position and fully safeguard India's financial interests in immediate transactions as well as final settlement."

Referring to the relationship between Lease-Lend aid and the Anglo-American Agreement of February last, Mr. Mehta stated that the Agreement was designed to cover the methods of repayment of Lease-Lend supplies and to implement the Lease-Lend arrangements. It was also intended to attain the economic objective of the Atlantic Charter and had therefore a much wider scope.

WHAT DOES U.S.A. EXPECT?
"It is hardly feasible," he said, "that the United States seriously expect repayment for the colossal amounts of aid rendered under Lease-Lend system, either in cash or even through return of actual physical goods received, to any great extent so that the balance would have to be met by supplying U.S.A., with the exports of the country concerned. This was emphasised by Dr. Grady, Leader of the American Technical Mission, while in India when he

stated that the whole idea of Lease-Lend was a form of credit or barter and that from India to-day they would require to be paid back in certain raw materials."

"The whole question of Lease-Lend repayment," Mr. Mehta pointed out, "was therefore linked up with broader questions of post-war international trade which is proposed to be planned and canalised by U.S.A., and the United Kingdom. The United States naturally desire to obtain some return for Lease-Lend expenditure through an increase in the total volume of international trade including her own exports after the war and for this purpose aim at elimination of discriminatory trade agreements, such as, preferential arrangements and rigid control."

APPLICATION TO INDIA

"While this objective is unquestionable in principle, it is necessary to emphasise that its application to India cannot be unqualified. India's willingness or ability to participate in any scheme devised for the promotion of international commerce by the more advanced industrial countries of the world depends primarily on the stage of her own industrial and economic development. The whole problem of repayment of Lease-Lend raises vital questions of fiscal and monetary policies which have not been hitherto officially discussed or authoritatively interpreted."

G. L. Mehta On Expansion Of Viceregal Council

CALCUTTA, July 6. "The present scheme of expansion does not involve any advance on the previous scheme of last year, but on the contrary is extremely disappointing in that while the Executive Council is not completely Indianised and the British community is recognised as a distinct entity in our body politic, the scheme does not involve any transfer of the reality of power from Britain to India."

Thus observed Mr. G. L. Mehta, President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, in the course of a statement in connection with the expansion of the Executive Council of the Viceroy.

Mr. Mehta added: "The most important portfolios of Finance, Home and Communication are still not transferred to Indians, and the fact that the vital portfolio of War Transport has been placed in charge of a non-official British representative clearly indicates the policy of the Government to continue to exclude Indians from all key departments."

SAPRU TO BE DEFENCE COUNSEL FOR REWA

ALLAHABAD, July 5. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru left for Lucknow to-night on his way to Indore, where he is appearing as the Senior Defence Counsel for His Highness the Maharaja of Rewa before the Enquiry Commission which is expected to commence its sittings on July 10.—A.P.

Sheer Window Dressing

Meherally On Expansion Of Viceroy's Council

MADRAS, July 6. Questions relating to the expansion of the Viceroy's Executive Council, the attitude of the Socialists in regard to any likely development in the country and the difference between the Communists and Socialists in India were discussed by Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Mayor of Bombay, at a press Conference this morning.

"The expansion of the Viceroy's Council," said Mr. Meherally, "left the country cold and Congressmen amused. It is doubtful if there is any Government in any country of the world which is so out of touch with public opinion and public feeling as Government of India."

WINDOW DRESSING.

It is difficult to imagine what useful purpose this expansion will serve, since the Major political parties are not at all interested in it. But perhaps, there is one purpose lurking behind it and that is to serve as international window-dressing. Perhaps the idea is to give the impression to American Public opinion that Britain has at last done something worth while in India. But one cannot fool all the people all the time. Sooner rather than later, informed opinion in the World is likely to know the true facts about India. What India demands is not tinkering with forms, but a complete and immediate transfer of real power. Nothing short of complete independence will satisfy the country."

SOCIALISTS LOYAL TO CONGRESS.

As to the attitude of the Congress Socialist Party towards any likely development in the country, Mr. Meherally said: "Congress Socialists have always been good Congressmen and their loyalty to the great organisation has always been unquestioned. They have always identified themselves with any forward move made by the Congress, and if the Indian National Congress takes a bold and decisive step, the Socialists will be found in the front of the fighting line."

Unsatisfactory Expansion Of Viceregal Council

NEW DELHI, July 6. "This expansion would please nobody and may only have the result of weakening the Government, a dangerous thing to do at the present crisis," says Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi in a statement. He said that if Sir Stafford Cripps had succeeded in his mission of securing the co-operation of the important parties in this country to form a national government, it would undoubtedly have gone a long way towards mobilising the people behind the Government in its war effort. But when that failed the Government should have been carried on its present basis until an opportunity offered of making another similar effort on a big scale to grant India complete self-government.

Sir Abdul Halim feels that it was quite wrong to include a non-official European in the Council.—A.P.

Broach Textile Dispute For Arbitration

BOMBAY, Monday. The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay announces that the dispute between the Broach Fine Count Spinning and Weaving Company and its employees has been referred to the arbitration of the Industrial Court.

DEFENCE PARTIES FOR VILLAGES

National War Front To Undertake New Activity

BOMBAY, Monday. The decision of the National War Front to organise Defence Parties in villages was disclosed at a press Conference held in the office of Mr. R. P. Masani, the Provincial Leader at Eros Building, this morning.

Explaining the project Mr. Masani pointed out that the maintenance of law and order was one of the fundamental duties of the administration.

In cities and towns, the Government had organised Civic Guards with this object. But as no such organisation had been set up in the villages, the Front had decided to organise these Defence Parties there.

They proposed to call these Parties "National War Front Gram Saurakshya Dals." They are meant solely for the protection by the villagers of their own hearths and homes.

These Parties, continued Mr. Masani, were to be non-communal and non-political and were to be recognised by Government and trained by the Front.

COMMIES BUY KHADI

KARACHI, July 6. American troops in Karachi are evincing keen interest in hand-spun and hand-woven khaddar. Several of them have visited Khadi Bhandars and made purchases.

On their desire to see a 'charha' (spinning wheel) was given to them at Khadi Bhandar the other day.—United Press.

Momins Protest

PATNA, July 5. A telegram protesting against the non-inclusion of a Momins representative in the Viceroy's Executive Council has been sent to H. E. the Viceroy by Mr. Abdul Qayyum Ansari.

A resolution forming an All India body of the Momins Congress with Mr. Latifur Rahman, M.L.A., as President and Mr. Ishaque Hussain of Gaya as Secretary, was passed at the Behar Provincial Momins Conference held at Bhulwarsharif under the presidency of Prof. Ahy Sayed.

The Conference was attended by representatives from other provinces also.—A.P.

Jubbulpore Municipal Scavengers To Declare Strike

JUBBULPORE, July 3. Scavengers employed by the Jubbulpore Municipality have informed the municipality that if their demands for further concessions including an increase in dearness allowance are not conceded, they will declare a general strike from Saturday next.—A.P.

Eighteen Communist Prisoners Released From Madras Jails

MADRAS, July 6. Eighteen Communist prisoners have been released under the orders of the Government from Bellary and Cannanore jails, the unexpired period of their sentences having been cancelled.

The sentences of fine imposed on them if not already paid have also been cancelled.—A.P.

Duke Of Gloucester Inspects Civil Defence Services

Imposing Rally At Brabourne Stadium

BOMBAY, Monday. H. R. H. the Duke of Gloucester inspected the Civil Defence Rally held at the Brabourne Stadium yesterday afternoon.

The rally was attended by nearly 10,000 men and women volunteers of the city and suburban Civil Defence services.

The Duke, on arrival, was received by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, who introduced him to Mr. C. H. Bristow, Chief Adviser to the Governor of Bombay. Mr. Symington, the A. R. P. Controller, Mr. Butler, the Commissioner of Police and other Government officials, were then conducted around by Mr. Bristow and inspected the various units which took their places in the different stands of the stadium. The Duke spent a quarter of an hour going from place to place and then took the salute at the base where the City Police Band was in attendance. After the salute was over the Duke was given a vociferous ovation.

Among those who participated in the rally were—the Bombay and Suburban Civic Guard Units, the St. John's Ambulance and the General City A. R. P. and Suburban Units, the Messenger Services and the Boy Scouts and Girl Guide Squads. Earlier the Duke of Gloucester attended a rally of A. R. P. Vehicular Units at Marine Drive in which the traffic units of the A. R. P. Service, St. John's Ambulance Transport Units, the Auxiliary Fire Service and the Rescue Service Mobile Squads took part.

Civic Honour For Meherally

Bombay Mayor On Task Before Municipalities

MADRAS, July 6. Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Mayor of Bombay, was presented with a civic address by the Corporation of Madras at the Ripon Buildings this evening. He was received by the Mayor of Madras, Mr. V. Chakkara Chetty, and leaders of parties in the City Council and the councillors having been introduced to him, Mr. Chakkara Chetty read the address which was presented to Mr. Meherally enclosed in basket.

Replying to the address, Mr. Meherally congratulated the Madras Corporation on the efficient manner in which they carried on the civic affairs of the City. He said the Municipalities in this country should not rest content with providing compulsory education, medical relief and good water supply but they should also give a lead in cultural matters by providing art galleries and the like. He saw a great future in the Municipalisation of public utility concerns, which would augment the resources of the Municipalities.

Mr. Meherally paid a tribute to Mr. Chakkara Chetty, Mayor of Madras, for sparing no pains to find relief for the unfortunate evacuees, who were pouring into the city day after day and said that he found in that a happy sign of the future of the world where, he affirmed, democracy would be the order of the day.

FAITH IN SOCIALISM

Mr. Meherally affirmed his faith in Socialism and said that in Socialism alone could they find a solution for all the problems confronting them at present. "After all a municipal Corporation," he said, "is nothing but an essence of a Socialist body—a body that irrespective of class or creed serves every type of citizen. It is intended to serve the poor classes a little better by progressive taxation."

Bombay Congress Committee

BOMBAY, Monday. The Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will meet this weekend to elect a President in the place of Mr. Bhulabhai Desai who has tendered resignation from the presidency on grounds of health. Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Vice-President, it is understood, will succeed Mr. Bhulabhai.

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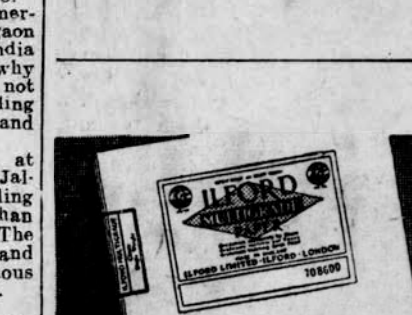
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